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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: OVIP, SL (KOROMA, S.I.)

SUBJ: VISIT TO U.S. BY VICE PRESIDENT KOROMA

REF: A. FREETOWN 2124 (NOTAL

1. VICE PRESIDENT AND MINISTER OF FINANCE S.I. KOROMA LEFT FREETOWN JULY 18 FOR SEVERAL DAYS IN LONDON PRIOR TO GOING TO U.S., FOR MEETINGS WITH IBRD (REFTEL). EMBASSY HAS BEEN TOLD THAT KOROMA AND SIX OTHER GOSL OFFICIALS WILL ARRIVE NEW YORK THURSDAY, JULY 22 ON BA-105 AND WILL PROCEED TO WASHINGTON JULY 24. REQUEST USUAL PORT AND CUSTOMS COURTESIES.

2. THIS WILL BE FIRST VISIT TO U.S. BY KOROMA WHO IS CURRENT FRONT-RUNNER TO FOLLOW STEVENS AS PRESIDENT. IN THE PAST KOROMA WAS MOST OPENLY CRITICAL OF U.S. AND CONSIDERED BY MANY OBSERVERS TO BE LEADER OF "LEFTISTS" IN APC. OVER THE LAST YEAR, HOWEVER, HE HAS BEEN OPENLY FRIENDLY TOWARD U.S., HAS GAINED REPUTATION AMONG TECHNICIANS IN GOSL AS BEING MOST HARD-HEADED DECISION MAKER IN CABINET, AND HAS WORKED CLOSELY WITH AMBASSADOR ON RENEWAL USAID PROGRAM HERE.

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3. DURING DISCUSSIONS WITH AMBASSADOR JULY 16, KOROMA INDICATED THAT, ALTHOUGH PURPOSE OF HIS TRIP IS RELATED TO IBRD, NEVERTHELESS HE DESIRED TO MEET WITH ASSISTANT SECRETARY SCHAUFLE FOR DISCUSSIONS ON MATTERS OF MUTUAL INTEREST. EMBASSY WOULD HOPE THAT DEPARTMENT WOULD BE ABLE TO ARRANGE SUCH A MEETING AND PERHAPS OTHER MEETINGS WITH IMPORTANT USG OFFICIALS. IF IT WERE POSSIBLE FOR BRIEF COURTESY CALL ON VICE PRESIDENT ROCKEFELLER AND ONE OR MORE SENIOR CONGRESSIONAL FIGURES, THAT WOULD BE FINE GESTURE. CORPORATE OFFICIALS AT BETHLEHEM AND SEABOARD ALLIED MILLING (KANSAS CITY) HAVE BEEN NOTIFIED OF KOROMA VISIT. MAURICE TEMPLESMAN LIKELY TO MEET KOROMA IN LONDON, AND OTHER ARRANGEMENTS MAY RESULT. ANY ARRANGEMENTS THEY OR DEPARTMENT WISH TO MAKE FOR THIS TRIP SHOULD BE COORDINATED THROUGH GOSL EMBASSY IN WASHINGTON OR MISSION TO UNITED NATIONS.
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